MINUTES HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE May 18, 2004

Members Present: Henry Fitzgerald, Sandra McManus, Daniel Morgado, Robert Cox, John Masiello, Maurice DePalo

Also: Michael Pagano, Jack Ferguson, Patrick Collins, Steve Lobban, Kathryn Crockett, Robert Barton, Richard McGuinness.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.

On a motion by Ms McManus, second by Mr. Masiello the minutes of April 27, 2004 were accepted.

On a motion by Mr. Masiello, second by Ms. McManus, the following bill schedules were authorized for payment.

USF&G	\$1,366,926.00
Robert Lanciani	\$1,113.32
Yankee Engineering & testing	\$162.00
Worcester Telegram	\$60.00
School FF&E (MS)	\$715.00
School FF&E (HS)	\$2,477.16
School FF&E (MS)	\$6,000.00
School FF&E (MS)	\$96,491.26
Public Bldgs FF&E	\$823.65
Paul O'Connor	\$292.50
Robert Lanciani	\$1,011.07
School FF&E (MS)	\$377,265.16
Indicates item added after agenda was distributed	

Mr. Ferguson presented his written report dated May 17, 2004 on the status of the 45OS project. He outlined that progress is slow with many contractors still not onsite, numbers of tradesmen quite low and the issue of non-payment continues to dominate some discussion. Mr. Barton advised that Century would be paid up this week.

Mr. McGuinness advised that ESCOA will increase staffing and will work (6) (10) hour days. Another asbestos contractor will be brought on site in the next few days.

Mr. Fitzgerald stressed the need to increase staffing on the project. He expressed doubts that the work can be completed on time with such a small crew. Mr. Barton advised that he was pushing Bristol to add staff and may bring in another company to do installation to keep Bristol focused on manufacturing the casework. He will see Bristol in the upcoming week.

Mr. Morgado raised the following issues:

- 1. Debris around the site must be cleaned up since moving must begin.
- 2. Jackson must be careful to keep smoke odors and damage back drafting into the building. He noted the room just North of the fire was not yet cleaned of smoke damage.
- 3. He asked if the backstop should just be replaced
- 4. He asked for a new price for grubbing the courtyard area since the last price was too high and perhaps a better mood on the job since the subcontractor has been paid would result in a more reasonable proposal

Mr. Collins reported that furniture delivery would begin on July 12th.

There was a general discussion on the subject of the project schedule. Members of the Committee reviewed the schedule submitted via the April 22, 2004 letter from Jackson. Mr. Barton advised that he saw no issues that would keep the schedule from not being complete as set forth.

The Committee reviewed the LPA fee proposal dated May 4, 2004 and will consult with Town Counsel on the matter. The consensus of the Committee was that LPA's fee should be adjusted and that the extra fee should be paid by the bonding company.

Mr. Morgado reported to the Committee on his meeting with Mr. O'Brien on May 14th relative to the ongoing Fritz Tile dispute.

The next meeting of the committee will be June 1, 2004.

Meeting adjourned 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel J. Morgado